Compensation to the victims of Train accidents under Section 82 A of Indian Railways Act is paid as and when awarded by the Ad. hoc Claims Commissioner/ Ex. Officio Claims Commissioner of the accidents concerned. During the last three years the following amounts of compensation have been paid to the next of kin of those killed irrespective of the year of accident.

Years	Rs. in lakhs
1982-83	96·48
1983-84	79·01
1984-85	106·58

Digha-Tamluk rail line

494. SHRI RAMKRISHNA MAZUMDER: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Planning Commission have approved the proposed Tamluk-Digha railway line in West Bengal; and

(b) if so, what are the steps so far taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

बुलन्दशहर-हापुड़ सड़क पर समपार (लेवल क्रासिंग) उपरिपुल

495. **श्री रामचन्द्र विकल** : क्या परिवहन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार बुलन्दशहर-हापुड़ सड़क पर समपार (लेवल क्रासिंग) पर एक उपरिपुल बनाने का विचार रखती है; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो सरकार इस सम्बन्ध में क्या कदम उठा रही है ?

रेल विभाग में राज्य मंत्री (श्री माधव राव सिंधिया): (क) जी, नहीं ।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

Diversion of surplus funds with Bombay Port Trust

496. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to divert a substantial portion of the surplus funds of Bombay Port Trust to other ports in the country;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the Department of Surface Transport have issued a directive under the Major Port Trusts Act asking Bombay Port Trust to give loans to ports which are starved of funds;

(c) whether it is also a fact that Government propose to increase the capacity of the Port during the Seventh Five Year Plan;

(d) whether the Planning Commission has reduced the Seventh Five Year Plan Outlay for ports; and

(e) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) Bombay Port Trust has been requested to to make available part of the surplus funds for financing the Plan Project of some of the other Major Ports.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) and (f) Do not arise.

Credit from World Bank for movement of Coal

497. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that World Bank has offered credit to the Railways for developing additional capabilities for moving coal;

(b) whether the Bank had suggested in September last to prepare a project for movement of coal with World Bank aid·

(c) whether it is also a fact that Bank has already offered credit for the transportation of coal for the Muradnagar super thermal station;

(d) whether the Railways have already submitted the project reports for coal movement;

(e) to what extent they have accepted the project reports; and

(f) how much aid is likely to be provided by the World Bank?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) No Sir.

(b) One of the Bank missions had discussed the possible future involvement of the Bank in a project whose objective would be the improvement of the over-all efficiency of Indian Railways in moving a commodity including coal.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) and (f) Does not arise.

Appointment of Commissioner of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan

498. SHRI K. VASUDEVA PANICKER:
SHRIMATI KRISHNA KAUL:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that term of present Commissioner of the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan has been completed;

(b) whether a new Commissioner has been appointed; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) The person selected could not be appointed. So, fresh selection has to be made.

हजारीबाग के रास्ते रांची–गिरिडीह तथा कोडरमा के बीच प्रस्तावित रेल लाइन

499. **श्री कैलाश पति मिश्र :** क्या परिवहन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार का ध्यान पटना से प्रकाशित होने वाले 2 अक्तूबर, 1985 के अंग्रेजी दैनिक 'सर्चलाइट' में छपे उस समाचार की ओर दिलाया गया है जिसमें बिहार राज्य परिवहन के आयुक्त, श्री एस. एन राय के अनुसार, रेलवे बोर्ड ने रांची गिरिडीह तथा कोडरमा को हजारी बाग के रास्ते रेलवे लाइन से जोड़ने के लिए एक सर्वेक्षण कराने का निर्णय लिया है; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है ?

रेल विभाग में राज्य मंत्री (श्री माधव राव सिंधिया): (क) और (ख) 'सर्च लाइट' समाचार पत्र में इस संबंध में छपा कोई समाचार खोजना सम्भव नहीं हुआ है। तथापि, रांची–बरकाकाना–हजारीबाग टाउन और उससे आगे कोडरमा के रास्ते गिरिडीह तक एक नयी बड़ी लाइन के निर्माण के लिए रेलवे द्वारा प्रारम्भिक इन्जीनियरी एवं यातायात सर्वेक्षण किया जा रहा है । इंजीनियरी सर्वेक्षण की प्रगति लगभग 73 प्रतिशत है ।

Conversion of Ahmedabad airport as International airport

500. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to refer to Unstarred Question 286 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 25th July, 1985 and state:

(a) whether the survey report on the Ahmedabad airport for making it internationally operative has been received; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) The survey report to assess traffic potential of Ahmedabad airport and its suitability for